## National Health Emergency Dislocated Worker Grants





Period of Performance	Approved Amount
7/1/2019 - 6/30/2022	\$4,757,845*
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Planned Participants	Target Population
300	Dislocated Workers

<sup>\*</sup> The grant approval threshold may not represent the current obligation of funds.



## Connecticut

**Grant Number:** DW-33987-19-60-A-9

Counties of Fairfield, Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, New London, Tolland and Windham.

## **Project Overview**

This Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant funding will support the NHE DWG project providing disaster relief jobs and employment services to eligible individuals in Connecticut communities impacted by the health and economic effects of widespread opioid use, addiction, and overdose.



## **Project Description**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared the opioid crisis a national public health emergency in October 2017, enabling Connecticut to request this funding for an NHE DWG project. This grant will provide eligible participants with disaster-relief employment as peer navigators in American Job Centers and community centers. These positions provide the opioid-impacted population with the appropriate referrals for counseling, and supportive services, as well as guide them through preparations for reemployment. Additionally, the proposed project funds will assist with the provision of career and training services to eligible individuals wanting to transition to fields addressing the opioid crisis, such as credentialed counselors and recovery coaches.



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